three paper mills from time to time are as follows:—

	Date	Price per tonnes
1. National Newsprint and Paper Mills Ltd. (for 55 gsm)	January, 1981	3,956
	April, 1981	4,277
	July, 1981	4,700
	September, 1982	5,200
	June, 1983	5,600
	March, 1984	6,400
	31-12-1985	7,800
2. Hindustan Newsprint Ltd. (52 gsm) . . .	March, 1982	6,400
	August, 1982	6,750
	January, 1983	7,000
	February, 1984	7,100
	April, 1984	8,000
	31-12-1985	8,960
3. Mysore Paper Mills Ltd. (52 gsm)	May, 1982	7,225
	April, 1984	8,000
	31-12-1985	8,960

(b) The sale price (high-sea) of imported standard newsprint was Rs. 4560 per tonne as on 1.1.1981 and this has increased to Rs. 6645 per tonne for the quarter April-June, 1986.

(c) Prices information with regard to the price of newsprint in various countries is not available.

(d) The indigenous newsprint industry is already working to about 98 per cent of its capacity. Continuous efforts are made to further improve the capacity utilisation of the existing units including NEPA Mills and to reduce cost of production by ensuring timely and adequate supply of major inputs, inventory management and other measures.

Offer of Union Carbide Corporation

883. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared on p. 1, cols 2-5 of the Times of India, dated the 4th April, 1986, captioned 'Union Carbide' fined $1.4 m;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government propose to take in this regard in the light of Bhopal Gas tragedy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The news item refers to the imposition of a fine on the Union Carbide Corporation, U.S.A. for violation of the Federal laws in respect of its unit in Institute, West Virginia, U.S.A. In respect of the Bhopal gas tragedy a complaint has already been filed in the U.S. Federal District Court, U.S.A. against Union Carbide Corporation, U.S.A.

Delimitation Commission

884. SHRI G. SWAMY NAIK: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government on the basis of 1981 census to appoint Delimitation Commission to facilitate the useful representation of people to the Parliament and State Assemblies and also for rotation of constituency for SC/ST on the basis of 1981 census; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ):

(a) Yes, Sir. The recommendation of the Election Commission regarding fresh delimitation of constituencies on the basis of the 1981 census and other factors like migration, urbanisation, industrialisation, changes in administrative boundaries is under consideration. The Commission has also recommended that after each general election, the seats reserved for Scheduled Castes should be rotated within a district or any other suitable administrative unit in a State so that a seat does not remain reserved for more than a few stipulated years at a time. This part of the delimitation proposal is also under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

Private houses taken on lease by IOC

885. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Oil Corporation had taken on lease some private houses in Chittaranjan Park, New Delhi, since 1st April, 1979 for the period of three years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that lease of the said houses expired on 28th February, 1982 and the same were extended from time to time unilaterally by the Indian Oil Corporation without the consent of the owners of the houses upto 28th February, 1986;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the owners of the houses have requested the Indian Oil Corporation to vacate the said premises; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the affirmative, by when the said houses are likely to be vacated by the Indian Oil Corporation and if not, what are the reasons therefor?